

# *Barkers Point School*

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Summer is coming to an end and with it brings cooler temperatures and thoughts of getting back to school. The staff of Barkers Point School is ready to welcome their students and excited for another learning filled school year.

As parents, you are encouraged to work with us to ensure that great things happen during the 2018-2019 school year. Please feel free to contact your child's teacher at any time if you have questions or concerns; it's only through working as a team that success is achieved.

## **Barkers Point Staff 2018-2019**

**Kindergarten** – Jessica Campbell, Melanie Lloyd and Catherine Gorman.

**Grade One** – David Burrell, Catherine Gorman, and Nathalie Michaud

**Grade 2** – Amanda Delong, Kayla Green, Kim Hawkes (Keely Campbell) and Trinda Waugh

**Grade 3** – Sebastien Bernier, Anthony Fournier, Cheryl Lavigne, and Krista Virgoe

**Grade 4** – Liza Alison, Anthony Fournier, Mary Ann McConaghy, and Marnie Schwarz

**Grade 5** – Laurie Billings, Rebecca Messer, Marnie Schwarz and Janet Tremblay

**Music** – Krista Touesnard

**Physical Education** – Tayne Moore and Keely Campbell

**Resource** – Colin Dolan and Holly Doyle

**Guidance** – Patrick Campbell

**Educational Assistants** – Veronica Bradley, Charlotte Betts, Darlene Carrier, Michelle Dougherty, Jessica Jackart, Marsha MacGregor, Laverne McAllister, James McLean, Lorinda Palmer and Michelle Shanks

**Librarian** – Eileen Dunlop

**English Language Instructor** – James Bird

**Custodians** – Heather Kennedy, Rose MacKinnon and Mike Haley

**Admin. Assistants** – Tracy Delong & Eileen Dunlop

**Vice Principal** – Kim Hawkes

**Principal** – Jennifer Ward

## **Morning Drop-Off and Afternoon Pick-Up**

It is our goal for your children to learn and play in a safe environment. Each morning we have teachers on duty at **7:40 am** – parents are welcome to drop their children off at this time.

If you will be driving your child to and from school each day, it is **extremely important that you follow the designated traffic**



**\* Please help us ensure that all our students are safe!**

## Meet the Teacher



We will hold our annual Meet the Teacher Night on Thursday, September 13th. All parents will meet in the gymnasium for a short presentation at 6:00 pm. This will be followed by two 15 minute classroom presentations.

**Please note:** classroom visits are not a parent teacher interview. These sessions are to give you information about the curriculum that will be covered for the school year. If you have specific questions or concerns regarding your child please set up an appointment with your child's teacher.

Hope to see you all there!

## Arrival/Dismissal Times



Establishing routines is extremely important to school children. Teachers will be busy during the first week(s) of school ensuring that rules and routines are established for a positive school year. It is imperative that students arrive on time in the morning – the bell rings at 8:00 am and instruction starts at 8:05 am **sharp**. This five minute period is an important time for teachers and students to get organized for the day's activities. **Students who come in after the 8:00 am bell disrupt their own learning as well as the learning of others.** We understand that emergencies happen and your child may be late on occasion; however, if it becomes a regular occurrence we will be contacting you to support you in this area.

Dismissal time for ALL students is **11:50 am** on Wednesdays. Buses will pick students up at this time.

Kindergarten - grade two students are dismissed Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday at **1:50 pm**. Students in grades 3-5 are dismissed at **2:55 pm**. If you are picking up your child please meet them outside the front doors of the school. Classroom teachers often have meetings scheduled immediately after school; for this reason it is important that you pick your child up on time. If you are going to be late please call the school so alternative arrangements can be made.



## Cafeteria

The school cafeteria offers healthy lunch options on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday. An order form goes home ONCE a month and must be returned to your child's classroom teacher by the due date printed on the order form. The chefs are unable to accept any late orders. The order forms will be posted on the schools website and it will be emailed to you as well. Please ensure that we have your correct email address. If you have any questions please feel free to contact a member of the administration.

## Milk Program

All students at Barkers Point School will have an opportunity to have milk each day for lunch starting on **Monday, September 10th**. Students can buy milk on a daily basis for .50 cents



### Nut-Free Zone

Barkers Point School is designated a NUT-FREE school due to students who are allergic to peanuts and tree nuts. Please refrain from sending peanut butter in your child's lunch. If you have any questions please feel free to contact Mrs. Ward at 453-5402.



### Cutlery

Just a reminder to pack all utensils your child will need to each their recess snack or lunch. Although we have a few items in the office it is impossible to supply cutlery to everyone for each school day. Thanks so much!

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@BarkersPoint



### Paperless Newsletters

Barkers Point School is extremely aware of the importance of saving paper. For this reason, we will be offering a paperless option for our school newsletters. Each month the newsletter is posted on our school website, [bps.nbed.nb.ca](http://bps.nbed.nb.ca) - if you wish, you may still receive a paper copy of the newsletter . . . merely fill out the form below. If we do not receive this form back from you we will assume that you will be reading the monthly newsletter online. **Please note – the calendars will be printed and sent home each month.**



### Important Dates to Remember

**September 4<sup>th</sup>** – First Day of School

**September 6<sup>th</sup>** – Cafeteria Orders are due

**September 10<sup>th</sup>** – Cafeteria Opens

**September 13<sup>th</sup>** – Meet the Teacher 6:00 pm

**September 13<sup>th</sup>** – Harvest Jazz and Blues in the Schools

**September 18<sup>th</sup>** – School milk program begins

**September 19<sup>th</sup>** – Cross Country Gibson Neil Elementary School

**September 26<sup>th</sup>** – Cross Country Henry Park

**September 26<sup>th</sup>** – PSSC Meeting 6 pm

**September 26<sup>th</sup>** – Home & School Meeting 7:00pm

**September 28<sup>th</sup>** – Orange Shirt Day

I would like to receive a paper copy of the school newsletter once every month. My child's name is \_\_\_\_\_.

My child's teacher is \_\_\_\_\_.